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§ 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

***Amendments***

***In the Claims:***

Please add new claims 22-25.

22. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein said conditions result in substantial cleavage of the linker from the oligonucleotide.

23. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein said linker is a universal linker and said conditions result in substantial cleavage of the linker from the oligonucleotide.

24. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein said conditions comprise pressurized conditions of about 20 to 200 p.s.i.

25. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein said conditions comprise pressurized conditions of about 80 p.s.i.